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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

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LIFE-009

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Title:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DETECTING THE  
PRESENCE OF A FLUID ON A TEST STRIP

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form
2. ☒ Specification Total Pages 21  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)  
- Descriptive title of the invention  
- Cross Reference to Related Applications  
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D  
- Reference to Microfiche Appendix

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5. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (*Appendix*)
6. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(*if applicable, all necessary*)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy  
b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to  
computer copy)  
c. ☐ Statement verifying identity  
of above copies

- Background of the Invention

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

- Brief Summary of the Invention  
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)  
- Detailed Description  
- Claim(s)  
- Abstract of the Disclosure

7. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
8. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of  
(*when there is an assignee*) Attorney
9. ☐ English Translation Document (*if applicable*)
10. ☒ Information Disclosure ☒ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(*Should be specifically itemized*)
13. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior application  
Statement(s) Status still proper and desired
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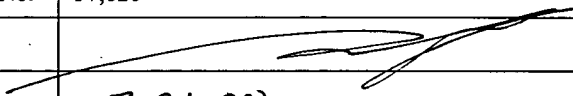
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) Total Sheets 7
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